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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE ON ALLIED PROTEST ON GDR OBSTRUCTION OF TRANSIT TO BERLIN

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- 1. THE UK BONN GROUP REP (CARTER) TELLS US HE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM LONDON LATE ON AUGUST 25 CONCERNING THE DRAFT PRESS LINE REPORTED IN REFTEL.
- 2. LONDON HAS APPROVED THE PRESS LINE WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS. BELIEVING THAT THE GUIDANCE AS AGREED IN THE BONN GROUP "GOES TOO FAR IN INVOLVING THE ALLIES IN MATTERS PRIMARILY INVOLVING THE GERMANS," LONDON REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

A. THE SECOND SENTENCE IN ANSWER TO QUESTION NUMBER FIVE SHOULD BE CHANGED TO READ: "THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN ANY CONVINCING EVIDENCE CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT SUCH MISUSE WAS INTENDED, AND THE FEDERAL

GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO REFUTE THESE CHARGES AT THE MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION DUE TO TAKE PLACE ON 30 AUGUST."

- B. THE FOURTH SENTENCE OF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION NUMBER SEVEN (WHICH NOW BEGINS: "WE AGREE, HOWEVER, WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT...") SHOULD BE CHANGED TO READ: "THE ALLIES SUPPORT THE ATTITUDE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT."
- 3. COMMENT: WE HAVE TOLD THE UK REP THAT THE EMBASSY WOULD FIND THESE CHANGES ACCEPTABLE BUT IS STILL AWAITING THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENT ON THE ENTIRE PRESS LINE TRANSMITTED IN REFTEL.

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